IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA MACON DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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v. : 5:04-CR-35 (WDO)

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KRANSTON MOULTRIE,

:

Defendant

ORDER

Defendant Moultrie filed a motion requesting the Court to extend the time in which he may file a habeas petition pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255. "[E]quitable tolling is appropriate when a prisoner's § 2255 petition is untimely because of extraordinary circumstances that are both beyond his control and unavoidable even with diligence." <u>Johnson v. United States</u>, 340 F.3d 1219, 1226 (11th Cir. 2003) (citations omitted). However, "equitable tolling applies only in truly extraordinary circumstances." <u>Id.</u> (citations omitted). The petitioner "bears the burden of establishing that he is entitled to this extraordinary relief." <u>Id.</u> (citations omitted).

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2244(d)(1)(A), Defendant Moultrie has one year after his conviction became final to file a habeas petition, or until on or about October 13, 2007. Defendant contends he needs a longer period of time to file a habeas because he has just recently requested the needed transcripts. However, because Defendant still has ample time in which to file a habeas petition, his motion for an extension of time to file is DENIED.

SO ORDERED this 7th day of February, 2007.

S/ WILBUR D. OWENS, JR. UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE